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LATTICE GIRDER SUPPORTING FRAME HAVING STRAIGHT BRACE PARTS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter the following amendments to the specification:

Page 4, paragraph 2:

As shown in FIG. 3b, two straight brace parts 3 connected by a straight bridge piece 3a

form a truss brace 10. One end of the straight brace part 3 has a curved (or buckled) portion 3b which connects to the straight bridge piece 3a (see FIG. 4a), while the other end of the straight brace part 3 is a straight portion/3c.